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TO: School District Superintendents

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SUBJECT: Wyoming Teachers Develop Lincoln Lesson Plans

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO SHARE WYOMING ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION INTRODUCES LINCOLN LESSON PLANS DEVELOPED BY WYOMING TEACHERS

The Wyoming Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (WALBC), created by Governor Freudenthal as part of the 2009 Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration, in cooperation with Wyoming State Parks and Cultural Resources Department, Wyoming State Historical Society, and the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund, has announced the creation of lesson plans utilizing web based research, classroom lessons, as well as collections at the University of Wyoming American Heritage Center, Wyoming State Archives and Museum, and other repositories.

These lessons were created by three teachers from Wyoming, Cathy Ellis, Cheyenne, Jennifer Calvetti, Cheyenne, and Dawn Dale, Gillette. The lesson plans were developed to be appropriate for use with students in grades kindergarten through twelve in three distinct grade spans, K-4, 5-8 and 9-12, and can be found on the following websites, Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources/Wyoming Lincoln Bicentennial, http://wyospcr.state.wy.us/lincoln/ and the Wyoming Department of Education, http://www.k12.wy.us/saa.asp under other areas of interest. The lessons are content relevant activity related, and cross curricular in nature.

You are encouraged to share this information with all of your staff in order to provide the students in Wyoming the opportunity to share in the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration on February 12, 2009.

If you have questions please contact Tom Collins, <u>tcolli@educ.state.wy.us</u> (307) 777-3493.

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